GRANT TITLE: Grants to Military-Connected Local Educational Agencies

for Academic and Support Programs

FUNDING AGENCY: United States Department of Defense Education Activity

STATUS: Acceptance AMOUNT: \$750,000 TYPE: Initial

REVIEWED BY: Grant Review Committee

TIME PERIOD: October 1, 2021 – May 31, 2026

GRANT PROGRAM GOAL: Provide resources to military-connected school districts to identify and implement evidence-based solutions to meet the academic needs of high mobile military-connected students in these core curricular areas: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math; literacy; to promote virtual learning programs that increase educational program cohesiveness; and multi-tiered systems of support.

POPULATION TO BE SERVED: Students at Crawford Elementary, Ben Eielson Junior High, Hunter Elementary, North Pole Elementary, North Pole Middle, and Midnight Sun Elementary

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES: DoDEA grant funds will launch the Stealth Sciences project to build new, and expand existing, STEAM and CTE learning opportunities for 4th-8th grade students at six targeted schools that serve a high military-connected population.

At each targeted school, DoDEA grant funds will sponsor extracurricular activities such as clubs, competitions, and summer programs. Organizational capacity building strategies such as train-the-trainer or mentoring and developing community support for STEAM and CTE will also be deployed at each targeted school.

By leveraging an evidence-based approach to spark students' interests, this project will build strong foundations for STEM literacy. This will ensure that students have the opportunity to learn, apply, and articulate introductory and advanced STEAM concepts.

CORE VALUES SUPPORTED BY THIS GRANT:

- Student-Centered: Center everything we do on the student and student learning
- Collaboration: Engage with students, family, and community to support student success
- Innovation: Be innovative and adaptive to student needs

DISTRICT OBLIGATIONS (i.e., in-kind services): There is no cost share requirement.

BUDGET: See fiscal note.